

Connect Nevada e-Newsletter Featuring: Families Get Free Training, Reverse 911 Boosts Safety, & Take Our Survey!

Welcome to the current issue of the Connect Nevada e-Newsletter! Below, you'll find updates on the progress we're making to expand broadband access, adoption, and use. Thank you for following our updates and joining the important work of getting more Nevadans online!

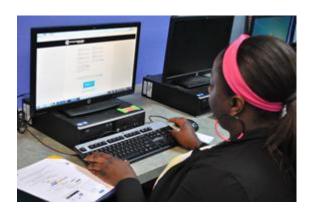


Reno Families Receive Free Computers and Training

Four Reno families now have new HP computers, Microsoft software, and the skills to use them!

The gifts came thanks to the free Every Community Online (ECO) program offered by Connect Nevada and the Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows.

The family training took place at the Boys and Girls Club in Reno where members took part in two evening classes over a two week period. All family members were taught the digital literacy skills necessary to operate the computers, their basic software, and how to navigate the Internet.



<u>Click here</u> to learn more about the event and Connect Nevada's free Every Community Online (ECO) computer training program.



Washoe's Reverse 911 Boosts Public Safety

Residents of Washoe County are on 911's speed dial!

It's a program called Reverse 911, and it's designed to alert Washoe County residents in case of an emergency that threatens public safety.

Washoe's Reverse 911 system covers the entire county of 427,000 households with more than 160,000 telephone numbers. It allows 911 dispatchers to send out voice, text, or e-mail warnings to residents who could be in danger during an emergency situation.



<u>Click here</u> to learn more about Reverse 911 and how it's being used to keep Washoe County residents safe.



Get Connected with Nevada's Every Community Online program!

Connect Nevada's <u>Every Community</u> <u>Online</u> Program offers the perfect way to get connected.

ECO offers free computer and Internet training that qualifies participants for discounted computers. Participants in the Las Vegas area are also eligible for discounted home broadband service.

ECO participants are eligible for:

- Desktop computers for \$182.00
- Laptop computers for \$199.00
- Broadband service for \$10.00 a month (Las Vegas area only)
- Desk modems starting at \$73.00

The program is offered in partnership with <u>JOIN, Inc.</u> and the <u>Nevada State Library and Archives</u> (NSLA). <u>Click here</u> to learn more about how ECO training is designed to change lives and get every Nevadan online!

Take Our Survey!

We need the help of all Community Anchor Institutions (CAI) in Nevada to answer a short questionnaire regarding broadband adoption. Institutions include K-12 schools, universities, libraries, hospitals/emergency medical facilities, and public safety facilities, and the information you provide will allow us to add data to our map.

We made it easy for you too - <u>just click</u> here!





Join the Connect Nevada Conversation!

We're excited to see Connect Nevada's reach growing daily!

We're often on the road meeting with people in communities across the state as we work toward better broadband access, adoption, and use in Nevada.

You can keep up with our activities in real-time and contribute to the conversation by joining our social networks!





In addition to our weekly blog posts and these monthly e-Newsletters, we encourage you to <u>follow us on Twitter</u> and like us on Facebook!

We look forward to hearing from you as we continue our work with the <u>Governor's Broadband Task Force</u> to expand broadband and improve digital literacy skills across the state!

Upcoming Events

TIA 2013: The Future of the Network - Tuesday, October 8 - Thursday, October 10, 2013 - Gaylord National, Washington, DC

2013 Nevada Broadband Summit: Learning in the Digital Space - Monday, November 18, 2013 - Reno, NV - Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details!

If you have a broadband meeting or event that you would like us to present or help publicize, please contact Lindsey Niedzielski, <u>Iniedzielski@connectnv.org</u>.





